

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING JAMES M. SHURE FOR  
HIS LIFETIME OF SERVICE TO  
THE COMMUNITY

**HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2022*

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to join Jewish Family Services as well as the many family, friends, and community leaders who have gathered to pay tribute to a special member of our community and a man I am honored to call my friend, James M. Shure. Better known as Jimmy throughout the community, he was born and raised in New Haven, Connecticut, spending a lifetime giving back to the city and its residents.

Jimmy grew up in the Westville section of New Haven, the son of a much beloved local funeral director. His father, Robert, opened the Robert E. Shure Funeral Home on George Street in 1939, quickly becoming known throughout New Haven's Jewish community for his compassion and dedication in planning burial services for their loved ones. As successful as he was, Robert did not encourage Jimmy to follow in his footsteps and take over the family business—in fact, he was determined that Jimmy would not do so. Following his father's advice, Jimmy sought to follow another path, attending college and graduate school where he earned an advanced degree in English Literature.

Shortly after completing his Ph.D., Jimmy found himself harkening back to his childhood memories of overhearing the late-night and weekend phone conversations when distraught families called his father to seek help and reassurance. He recalled friends telling him about the important role Robert had played in honoring others' lives. He knew his dad's work mattered and soon realized that he would much rather serve the community than teach in a classroom. So, despite his father's initial disappointment, Jimmy attended mortuary school and began working at the family funeral home, taking over the day-to-day operations when Robert retired in 1975. For nearly five decades, Jimmy has helped families navigate one of the most difficult of life's trials—saying goodbye—ensuring that the time-honored customs and traditions of the Jewish faith are kept with understanding and comfort.

Jimmy's compassion and support of the community goes beyond his professional life. He also dedicates his time and energies to strengthening the reach and capabilities of non-profit organizations like Jewish Family Services. He understands the difference they can make in the lives of others and has made it a personal mission to ensure that these organizations have the resources necessary to meet the needs of the community.

In the Jewish tradition, it is taught that one should give *tzedakah* because they want to, not because they have to and that everyone has a responsibility to help those suffering

from poverty. Through his professional work as well as his personal philanthropy, Jimmy has exemplified that lesson, setting a standard of generosity to which we should all strive. At this evening's annual Spring celebration, a yearly event that marks the renewed commitment of the organization to its mission, Jewish Family Services is honoring Jimmy for his dedicated service. I am honored to join them in extending my heartfelt thanks and sincere appreciation to James M. Shure for all of his good work on behalf of our community. *Mazel Tov.*

HONORING DALE MOORE

**HON. TRACEY MANN**

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a great Kansan, Dale Moore, and to congratulate him on his retirement from a career of dedicated service to farmers, ranchers, and agricultural producers.

Dale grew up on a livestock, hay, and grain farm in Copeland, KS, which lies in my district—the Big First. He went to Fort Hays State University, worked for Kansas Pork Producers Council, the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, and Senator Pat Roberts. In 2001, President Bush appointed Dale to serve as the Chief of Staff at USDA, after which he served as the Legislative Director for the House Agriculture Committee. Most recently, Dale has been serving as Executive Vice President at the American Farm Bureau Federation, where his presence will be deeply missed.

Dale has tirelessly advocated for agriculture for more than 40 years, and he never forgot his southwest Kansas roots or the values he learned there: hard work, others before self, and personal responsibility. I am grateful for Dale's leadership and service, and I offer him, his wife Faith, and their family my best wishes as they begin this new adventure. Congratulations to Dale.

HONORING AND CELEBRATING THE  
230TH ANNIVERSARY OF JEFFERSON  
COUNTY, TENNESSEE

**HON. DIANA HARSHBARGER**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 14, 2022*

Mrs. HARSHBARGER. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the historic celebration of Jefferson County's 230th anniversary. On June 11, 1792, Governor William Blount, by ordinance formed Jefferson County, originally a part of North Carolina. Later, when Tennessee became a state in 1796, Jefferson County became a part of the state and three other counties have since been fanned out of the original land of Jefferson County.

On July 23, 1792, the first County Court of Jefferson County was organized at the home of Jeremiah Mathews, and the county court selected a distinguished committee to locate a county seat which became Dandridge, in honor of President George Washington's wife, Martha Dandridge Custis Washington; America's first, First Lady.

The famed frontiersman Davy Crockett found his way to Jefferson County and in 1806 was married to Polly Finley at the Finley's homeplace after meeting at a harvest dance and the folk hero sold his rifle in 1806 to post a marriage bond. He and Polly had two children while in Jefferson County and lived here until 1811. Davy Crockett also served two terms in the United States House of Representatives, from 1827 to 1831.

This beautiful county is nestled at the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains and is home to 2 TVA lakes and both Cherokee Dam and Douglas Dam were built in record time to support the WWII emergency.

Home to Carson-Newman University, Bush Beans, the world's largest supplier of baked beans, along with many other notable businesses and industries, century farms, and five incorporated cities or towns including Dandridge, Jefferson City, New Market, White Pine, and Baneberry. Jefferson County is home of the Patriots of Jefferson County High School in beautiful Dumplin Valley and continues to be a great place to live, work, and raise a family.

HONORING THE LIONS CLUB OF  
NEW HAVEN ON THEIR CENTEN-  
NIAL ANNIVERSARY

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Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise today to extend my very best wishes to the members of the New Haven Lions Club as they gather to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of this extraordinary community organization. Over the course of its history, the New Haven Lions Club has enabled its members to contribute to our community in a positive and meaningful way. Indeed, in the last century, members of the New Haven Lions Club have helped to shape the very character of our community.

Founded in February of 1922, the New Haven Lions Club was only the second such club started in New England. From the very beginning, member's work in the community concentrated on assistance to local blind persons and underprivileged children. In its earliest years, Lions would repair radios for the blind and transport them to and from local meetings as well donate dinners and presents to needy families during the holidays. Over time, the Lions club has expanded both its membership and its activities on behalf of those in need.

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